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SUBJECT:SSOD: AD HOC EXPERT GROUP ON UN STUDY OF
DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT - GUIDANCE FOR U.S. EXPERT

REFS: A) A/AC.187/80 (31 AUG 77), B) STATE 269592 (77)

1. UNGA RES. 31/88A ENDORSED A PROPOSAL MADE BY THE
NORDIC COUNTRIES FOR A UN STUDY OF DISARMAMENT AND
DEVELOPMENT (REF A). THE RES. ALSO CALLED FOR AN AD
HOC GROUP OF GOVERNMENTAL EXPERTS TO ELABORATE A POSSIBLE
FRAMEWORK AND TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THIS STUDY. THE
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EXPERTS WILL MEET MARCH 13 THROUGH MARCH 22 AND SUBMIT
A REPORT ON THEIR WORK BY APRIL 1, FOR TRANSMITTAL TO
THE SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT (SSOD) ONE MONTH
BEFORE IT OPENS. GUIDANCE FOR THE US EXPERT FOLLOWS:

2. AS INDICATED IN REF B, THE U.S. COSPONSORED RES. 31/88A
AS BEING MODERATE AND COMPATIBLE WITH U.S. POLICY, AND AS

PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES TO FURTHER U.S. AIMS IN THE SSOD.

3. IN CONSIDERING THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE SUBJECT STUDY, THE U.S. EXPERT SHOULD SEEK TO HAVE IT REFLECT AWARENESS OF A NEED FOR GREATER OPENNESS AND STANDARDIZATION OF MILITARY EXPENDITURE AND RELATED DATA, OF GROWING

MILITARY EXPENDITURES IN ALL REGIONS OF THE WORLD, AND OF THE IMBALANCES IN THE GLOBAL AVAILABILITY OF DATA.

4. HE CANNOT, FOR PRIMARILY CONSTITUTIONAL REASONS, ACCEPT AN AUTOMATIC LINKAGE BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, AND SHOULD SEEK FORMULATIONS ALONG LINES OF LANGUAGE IN PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH OF RES. 32/88A, WHICH STATES: "FIRMLY BELIEVING THAT A CURTAILMENT OF EXPENDITURES ON ARMAMENTS IN KEEPING WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF THE DISARMAMENT DECADE WOULD FACILITATE THE AVAILABILITY OF GREATER RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, PARTICULARLY TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES." VANCE

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